

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY

A telephonic interview was conducted on August 16, 2010 with Examiner Taylor and the Applicants' undersigned representative. Applicants' undersigned representative discussed amendments for independent Claim 1. Examiner Taylor agreed that the claim amendments filed herewith appear to overcome the rejections of record.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1, 5-9, 11-18, 20-26 and 29-30 are rejected, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as allegedly being unpatentable over Kempisty (U.S. Patent No. 6,714,264) (hereinafter Kempisty) in view of Choi (U.S. Patent No. 6,598,233) (hereinafter Choi). As presented above, the claim amendments of independent Claim 1 appear to overcome the rejections of record. Independent Claims 9, 17 and 23 have been amended with similar limitations as independent Claim 1 and are patentable for similar reasons. Dependent claims are patentable by virtue of their dependency. As such, allowance of Claims 1, 5-9, 11-18, 20-26 and 29-30 is earnestly solicited.

Claims 2-4, 10, 19, 27 and 28 are rejected, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as allegedly being unpatentable over Kempisty in view of Choi and further in view of

Reitmeier (U.S. Patent No. 6,115,080) (hereinafter Reitmeier). Claims 2-4, 10, 19, 27 and 28 depend from independent Claims 1, 9, 17 and 23. It was agreed that claim amendments filed herewith appear to overcome the relied on references. As such, Claims 2-4, 10, 19, 27 and 28 are patentable by virtue of their dependency. As such, allowance of Claims 2-4, 10, 19, 27 and 28 is earnestly solicited.

For the above reasons, the Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above listed remarks, reconsideration of the rejected claims is requested. Based on the arguments presented above, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 1-30 overcome the rejections of record and, therefore, allowance of Claims 1-30 is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,
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